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WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN
OF NEBRASKA.

For Vice-President,
ADLAI E. STEVENSON
OF ILLINOIS.

For Congress,
HARRY L. MAYNARD.

THE MCKINLEY LUCK STILL HOLDS.

For no President in American history has chance done so much as for Mr. McKinley. He is the debtor, not the victim, of circumstances. Drouth and flood, war, famine and pestilence have served him, and well, within the past four years. By rare, good luck, his induction into office was coincident with the recoil of the nation from one of those natural waves of depression with which politics and government have little more to do than with the trade winds. Then came short wheat crops abroad, short cotton crops, a vastly increased output of gold, war in South Africa with an enormous demand for mules and horses and provisions; disturbances in China that set Europe to laying in supplies for an emergency; our own war with Spain, that put many millions of dollars in circulation.

Whatever may be said of President McKinley, it can not be charged that he was not born under a lucky star. The "bank at Monte Carlo" might well be a record of the distinguished statesman, who can only claim his blunders as his own. There is no indication that this phenomenal luck has deserted him. After having thrust this nation into the broils of the East in despite alike of precedent and authority; after taking chances that would have ruined a less fortunate statesman, it really seems that his luck is about to save Mr. McKinley once more from a fate that stupidity, indecision and an over-weening ambition had combined to make inevitable. At the eleventh hour circumstances over which he had no sort of control appear likely to compel him to assume the true American attitude in China by forcing him to eschew the miserable fiasco of the "concert of Powers," and to deal with China with an eye single to American interests and obligations. After putting himself in the position of the cat in the fable the same kindly chance that has done him so many good turns has stepped in to catch his fingers before he could serve them in the fire. France and Russia, pairing against England and Germany, he finds himself almost compelled to do the right thing by refusing to adhere to either faction. He seems to really have no choice as between the right course and the wrong; he is practically compelled to play the part that a President of the United States should play by having done with entangling alliances and the miserable scheme of spoliation that has been masqueraded under the guise of a propaganda of civilization and enlightenment. If Mr. McKinley goes wrong now he can do so only by throwing his gauntlet in the face of the singularly patient and efficient guardian angel that has made him the hopeless debtor of an unparalleled solicitude.

Suppose Hon. Theodore Roosevelt had been swallowed up by the alkali plains? In that event what would become of the flag? What would become of national honor? What would become of the nation itself? The mere possibility seems with shudders!

RATHER READY WITH THEIR GUNS.

With no desire to harshly criticize officers of the law and with a full recognition of the provocation given, we are yet of the opinion that the sheriff and his deputies at Shenandoah, Pa., were a trifle too ready with their guns. Deplorable as bloodshed always is, it is doubly so as an incident thus early in a strike of such magnitude, involving so many men and such vast interests.

Naturally enough, the killing at Shenandoah will make the situation more tense throughout the anthracite mining region affected by the strike. It will put strikers who have been well disposed up to this time in an ugly mood, with greatly increased chances of further clashes between them and the authorities of the law.

Beyond doubt any investigation that is likely to be made will justify the sheriff and his deputies, but there are other tests beside the abstract question of legality that must be applied in judging the incident. It does not appear that the lives or limbs of the officers were especially endangered by the mob before the firing began, and assuredly nothing short of that could warrant a resort to the revolver where the consequences were to be so grave and far-reaching. Taking conditions as they were, to fire on the strikers was almost tantamount to a declaration of civil war, and should have been a last resort. In fact, it appears that the sheriff ordered his men to fire into a crowd of men, women and children because some drunken brawler in a saloon discharged his revolver and somebody threw a few stones. This was a very different thing from being beset and firing in self-defense. "Acting in a threatening manner" is common with mobs of all kinds, but it has never been considered sufficient ground for an indiscriminate fusillade by officers of the law, and if the anthracite strike is not to be turned into war between the State of Pennsylvania and the miners, officers with more nerve and discretion than was shown by Sheriff Toole should be put in charge of the situation.

MR. HANNA'S FLANK MOVEMENTS IN VIRGINIA.

The fact that the Republicans are preparing to make a fight in every Congressional district in Virginia does not mean that in each there is a Republican anxious to be led as a lamb to the slaughter any more than it indicates a hope of electing these devoted victims of party loyalty. Mr. Hanna is merely creating a diversion in favor of the opponents of Hon. H. L. Maynard and Hon. H. D. Flood. He is playing the same game here that he is playing on a larger scale by making a determined onslaught on Missouri to offset the Democratic attack on New York State. In each instance his purpose is to prevent a concentration of Democratic effort. If by having Republican candidates out in every district in this State he can weaken the Democratic campaign in the only two districts that even Republicans consider doubtful, he will have accomplished all that is intended by putting out decoys in eight districts. It is an old game with Mr. Hanna and is far from being ineffective. It means that in two districts of the State there is to be a fight; Democrats will do well not to cherish any illusions on that score.

THE GALVESTON DISASTER FORETOLD.

A contemporary points out that in a paper in The Arena as long ago as 1890 Prof. Joseph Rhodes Buchanan predicted that sooner or later a West Indian hurricane would play the havoc in Galveston that has shocked the world. In the same article the writer stated that all coast cities south of New England are sure to meet with disaster from the same cause, if they be on the coast line and not more than 50 feet above the sea level. He used these words, which now seem prophetic: "Galveston, New Orleans, St. Augustine, Mobile, Savannah are doomed." It will be noted that Norfolk is not among the cities classed as in danger, for which there are two reasons: it is not in line to suffer from the full fury of the West Indian hurricane, and it is, of course, far enough from the coast to be out of danger of the tremendous waves that overwhelmed Galveston.

A significant fact brought out at a recent meeting of the Pennsylvania Association of Magistrates was that nearly every member of the association favored the passage of a law to prescribe the whipping post for wife-beaters. The attention of the valued Petersburg Index-Appeal, which loves archaic institutions, is respectfully directed to this opportunity.

"The paramount issue in Tennessee," said Hon. John E. McCall, in his speech at Huntington, last Monday, "is whether or not we shall have the right to freely cast our ballots and have those ballots counted and returned as cast." Knoxville Journal and Tribune.

The same issue is also doing a little paramounting in Pennsylvania. But how many ballots did Hon. John E. McCall want to "freely cast?"

Even Mr. Hanna can not find any "apathy" lurking in the New York Sun. All the available space is occupied by robust and lusty-lunged fits.

In waiting for the Dutch to send a warship after him President Kruger showed that he retained his insight of English character among his effects.

Did the naughty French, Germans and Russians supply those 60 chests of loot brought to San Francisco on the hospital ship Solace?

Anybody who will put the red pedal on the Lillian Clayton Jewett discussion will perform a grateful service for the people of this Commonwealth.

The valued Baltimore American styles Senator Wellington "the Maryland apostate." Why not have him burned at the stake?

THE STATE PRESS.

Leaving everything else aside, will the Republicans tell us what they think of Washington's words in regard to "entangling alliances"? Is that "worn out," like the Constitution?

While not exactly a traitor, Washington was an old moss-back and a small American.

The Blackstone Courier, published in the home county of the Republican nominee for Congress in the Fourth district, says he is a political half-man and proves it.

"That the convention that nominated him only regarded him as half a man is evidenced by the fact that it only gave him half a seat and half a vote in that convention. The opposition from his own precinct and his own county was so strong that the convention, by all the elasticity at its command, could only let him half way in. When it came to the point of pleading in his own behalf for a full seat, the convention only gave him a half hearing, cutting off his remarks and proceeding with its business."

The Norfolk papers are exploiting the fact that the population of that city shows a large percentage of increase. In spite of the fact that Norfolk has not taken in any new territory within the past ten years. But between 1880 and 1890 Norfolk did take in a considerable territory, adding two wards which were thickly settled and increasing the population fifty-eight per cent. The overflow population in the city proper has settled largely in the territory annexed to Norfolk, and so again Norfolk shows an increase. If Richmond had pursued the same course between 1880 and 1890, our population would also have shown a gratifying increase in the census of 1900.—Richmond Leader.

We would avoid being impertinent, but if the Leader doesn't mind saying, we should like to know what the Leader was meaning to express?

The Farmville Herald thus suggests a horrible possibility:

"Congress is large enough now, 357 members, or one to every 174,000 inhabitants. If the number is not increased under the latest census there will be one representative to every 210,000 people. We began with one to 30,000 of population. All right then, but it would be all wrong now. 'Confusion worse confounded' already reigns there, and with a few more of the less gang together pandemonium would prevail."

The Clifton Forge Review is pardonably elated at the showing Alleghany county makes. It says:

"Assessed valuation of real estate in Alleghany county in 1895, \$2,191,769.25; in 1900, \$3,527,755.01; increase, \$1,335,985.77. An increase of 65 1/2 per cent. in five years.

"Dragging is not our strong point, but really, now we challenge any county in the State to beat Alleghany in the matter of increased values of real estate."

"We have not as yet gotten the figures giving the population of Clifton Forge according to the census of this year, but in 1890 it was about 1,750. We venture to predict that the figures for 1900 will show 3,500 at least."

In 1896 a certain Republican in Laurel declared that he had his eyes opened and voted for Bryan. The Republicans said he was an "old fool." This year he is back in the Republican fold and they all exclaim: "Kill the proditor! The traitor! He has returned," and they welcome him with open arms and permit him to make an address before the meeting of the "Lily-whites."—Laurel Democrat.

If the Laurel Republicans mix their politics as badly as their scripture, they ought to be an easy mark.

There is only one thing that should make a Democrat hesitate to vote against General Wadsworth. That is the horrifying probability—almost a certainty—that if the doughty General is badly defeated he will try to get back into the Democratic party.—Wytheville Dispatch.

By all means avert that calamity and make the majority as small as possible.

It strikes the News that while this campaign is in progress, not enough has yet been said about the position of the present Republican administration as to its consistently cringing position towards England.—Northern Neck News.

Nevertheless, a few hints at this supineness have found place in the Democratic press.

NOTES AND OPINIONS.

TWO STORIES FROM THE PHILIPPINES. (Washington Post.)

"One of the very sweetest and most interesting little strategems of the whole campaign thus far has just been sprung upon the American people through the medium of a carefully arranged correspondence between Secretary Root and the Philippine Commission (No. 2) now operating at Manila. The interchange appears to have been conducted by telegraph. Mr. Root's overture is dated August 17, and the commission's response August 21. It is seldom that ponderous and august bodies of this kind reply so promptly and comprehensively to an inquiry of such wide range. It may be, however, that Mr. Tatt had rather expected such a catechism about the time when a judicious answer would be of service to the ticket, and was, therefore, all ready to assuage the Secretary's affectionate solicitude at the drop of a hat, so to speak. Evidently the psychological moment had not arrived when Mr. Root received the commission's reply;

hence we have had to wait from August 21 or 22 to September 20—about a month—for this most entertaining and instructive document. It was worth waiting for, however, as will be seen.

Of course the long figurative describing the anxiety of the good Filipinos for peace and for protection against the bad Filipinos is hardly worth considering. It is a faithful reproduction of the siren songs we have been listening to for the past eighteen months, and serves only to revivify our long-since exhausted curiosity as to the inability of our 60,000 or 70,000 troops, backed by an overwhelming majority of the natives, to suppress these "scattered bands of fugitive and demoralized guerrillas."

A FRENCH CAMPAIGN SUGGESTION. (New York Sun.)

There is a new French verb now that will plague the purists. Its name is "tomato." Ignorant people may think that it is a noun, but it isn't, or, to be precise, it isn't all the time a noun, and the reason for making it a verb is not so strong as that which the schoolboy gave to his teacher for calling a cow a verb. "All cows can't be called nouns," said he. "Our cow ain't no noun. She kicks. Every kicking cow is a verb." Just now they must be growing tomatoes pretty extensively in France. At least the verb "to-mate" presents forcible evidence to that effect. But the meaning which the French give to the word would seem to come from the House of Commons. It is "to stone a fellow with tomatoes" ("lapper a coups de tomates"). After all, it is an improvement upon our own verb, "to rotten-egg," and as such it is respectfully submitted to indiscreet and over-zealous partisans in the present campaign.

BADGE OF THE MILLIONAIRE. (Atlanta Constitution.)

President McKinley, it is stated, has indorsed the pink carnation as the official flower of the Republican campaign.

This looks like a plagiarism upon those eminent Senatorial millionaires, the late Mr. Brice and the present Mr. Clark.

But the McKinley taste runs to millionaires.

READY FOR THE GRAB. (New York World.)

There is one sentence in the campaign report of Mr. McKinley's Philippine Commission that will inspire a hearty response from the syndicates and exploiters of his party. It is this: "Railroad franchises should be at once granted."

The innocent commissioners need not worry. The franchises will be granted all right as soon as the practitioners of "commercialism in politics" think the time is ripe for grabbing them.

Let your Uncle Marcus alone for that!

GIVE FOR LIBERTY! (New York Journal.)

"The time to guard against corruption and tyranny is before they shall have gotten hold of us. It is better to keep the wolf out of the fold, than to trust to drawing his teeth and talons after he shall have entered."—Thomas Jefferson.

If a trust can afford to give a hundred thousand dollars to Mr. Hanna's campaign, it is not too good a price to plunder the people, cannot it? Working man afford to give a dollar to the Democratic National Committee in order to remain a free man?

Slowly the outlines of the McKinley-Hanna plan of campaign emerge from the campaign chaos of the present. The Republican managers propose to secure control of the national government and "perpetuate" the present administration by the use of a vast corruption fund. Every centre of corruption—the Steel Trust, the Oil Trust, the Beef Trust, the Sugar Trust, the Coal Trust, the Leather Trust, the Tobacco Trust, the Biscuit Trust and every other industrial conspiracy against legitimate business and the common people—is contributing money to secure itself against the enforcement of the Federal laws by a Democratic President.

The army contractors, the Philippine and Porto Rico franchise hunters have paid their share of blackmail. It is notorious that the immense army of government employees have been squeezed for money this year as they were never squeezed before.

THE VERSATILE TEDDY. (Houston Post.)

Roosevelt addressed the citizens of the town of Holland, Mich., the other day as "Fellow Dutchmen." A short time before that he was as shyly agreeing to a demonstration of the virtues of the Jewish race. What he will claim to be next it is difficult to say, but he is getting down to the demagogue's and blatherer's level as fast as the campaign can carry him.

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